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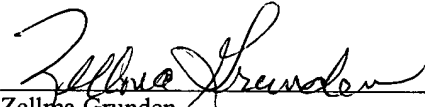
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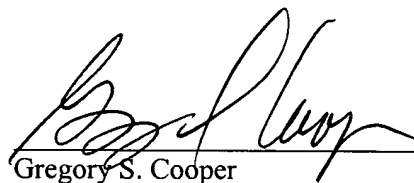
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**RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S INTERVIEW SUMMARY REPORT**

Sir or Madam:

The following is in response to the Examiner's Interview Summary Report mailed December 2, 2005, based on an interview conducted November 23, 2005.

The Applicant wishes to express appreciation to the Examiner for participating in the interview. The purpose of this response is to confirm that bases for rejection not recited in

the Examiner's original Office Action dated September 28, 2005, but expressed by the Examiner during the interview, is to be incorporated as part of her rejections.

The limitations of Claim 1 believed not addressed in the Office Action, contrary to MPEP § 2131 and § 707.07, were "wherein the first and second belt segments extend from the chest panel and are positionable about the torso of the juvenile and the second bar, and wherein the second ends of the first and second belt segments are selectively attachable to each another." (Applicant's response to the Office Action will amend "each another" to "each other.") The Examiner's allegation that "Ward ('613) clearly taught a belt positionable around the torso of a juvenile and a second bar (as shown in Figures 8 and clearly described in column 5, lines 63-68 and column 6, lines 1-3)" was not recited in her original Office Action. The Examiner's further allegation that Ward shows "ends of the belt attachable to each other as shown in Figures 8 and 10," is a new basis, as well. The Examiner also stated during the interview that with respect to Claim 1, she is relying on Girardin solely for its disclosure of a chest panel and for no other structure. Based on this information, the Applicant will consider these arguments and incorporate them into the response. The Applicant will also consider the Examiner's Office Action and Interview Summary Report her full and complete analysis of the claims. The Applicant will respond to the rejections in writing as requested by the Examiner in her Interview Summary Report.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned if any outstanding issues remain with respect to the interview.

Respectfully submitted,



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